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ANOTHER STRIKE IMMINENT.

PITTSBURG, PA., April 17,-Ever since the arrival of the officials of the National Federation of Railroad Employes in this city at a very early hour this morning they have been in secret conference with the local officials and Little information Chairman Hawley of the Switch men's Press committee states that under no circumstances will the railroad ers treat with the officials excent through their organization, which must

A strike is expected within twelve hours, and it is thought it will be contagious and spread over the United work in the several railroad vards disclose the fact that they are fully prepared for the worst, and are al most a unit in the statement that they will cease work cease that they will cease work the moment they receive the official The railroad officials have refused positively to recognize the federation, and unless one side or the other strike seems inevitable

A late report from federation headgearters is that the strike may be ordered at any moment.

TRIED TO POISON HER SON.

A Prominent Church Member of Bur-lington, N. J., in Trouble. MOUNT HOLLY, N. J., April 17 .- The grand jury of Burlington County has found an indictment against Mrs. Carrie E. Vandegrift, one of the most promi

nent women of Burlington and a leading church member. She is charged with attempting to kill, by poison, her son, Frank G. Norman, aged 23. The evidence against her is very strong. oisoning was discovered by a physician in time to save the young man's life. In case of his death Mrs. Vandegrift would have received an insurance of A Threatened Strike Averted. Chicago, April 17 .- The threatened

strike of switchmen in the stock yards has been averted by arbitration. The committee rendered its report yesterday, unanimously agreeing that the yardmaster was right in refusing to charge the two men as requested by the other employes, and the men have agreed to abide by the decision. A Famous Half-Breed Returns.

WINNIPEG, MAN., April 17,-Maximo Lepin, the famous half-breed who was identified with Riel in his Red and who was subse quently indicted for murder, has been ppointed an immigration agent by the Dominion Government. Lepin has just returned from Paris, where he was associated with Buffalo Bill's show.

NEW YORK, April 17 .- The livery stable of William Connolly, 537 West Thirty-eighth street, was partially destroyed by fire at an early hour this morning. Eleven horses were burned to death. The loss on the building is \$3,000, and that on the stock \$20,000.

District Government Notes.

The Commissioners have granted graph Company to erect a new line of high poles on the west side of Fourteenth street, between B street and the Long Bridge

A water-main will be laid on F street, between Third and Fourth streets

GONE TO HIS LAST HOME

FUNERAL SERVICES OVER PENNSYL-

Numbers of Persons - Rev. Dr. Chester's Elequent Sermon-His Favorite Hymn,

The funeral services over the remains of Hon. Samuel J. Randall took place this morning at the Metropolitan Presbyterian Church, corner Fourth and B streets southeast.

Shortly after 8 o'clock the body, in closed in a plain cloth-covered casket, with silver trimmings, was taken from the Randall residence to the church, where it was viewed for an hour by large numbers of people. The casket rested on a catafalque in front of the minister's platform, which was draped in black. Floral tributes from the Samuel Jackson Randall Association of Philadelphia, and from a number of other organizations, were placed to the right and left of the pulpit desk. The casket was covered with large bunches of lilies of the vailey and broad palm

leaves.
About 9:30 o'clock, Mrs. Randall, escorted by her son, Samuel; her daughters, Mrs. C. C. Lancaster and Miss Susie Randall; Mr. C. C. Lancaster, Mr. Randall; brother from Philadelphia, and members of the family, entered the church and were escorted to seats on the left centre aisle, directly behind the casket. Secretary and Mrs. Blaine soon afterward followed by Vice-President Morton, Chief Justice Fuller and Miss Fuller, Mrs. Harrison and Mr. E. W. Halford, Speaker Reed and a large number of Senators and Representa-tives, many of whom were accompanied by members of their families, a detachment of comrades from the Department of the Potomac, G. A. R., occupied seats to the left of the pulpit. Shortly before 10 o'clock the House

and Senate Committees, wearing broad white sashes, entered the church and were escorted to seats on the left of the Randall family. With them came the bonorary pall-bearers, wearing black

The Congressional committees consisted of Senators Quay, Dawes, Voor-hees, Eustis, Allison and Representa-tives McNeill of Pennsylvania, Carlisle of Kentucky, McKiuley of Ohio, For-ney of Alabama, Holman of Indiana, Harmer of Pennsylvania, Cannon of Illinois and Springer of Illinois.

The honorary pall-bearers were Messrs. George W. Childs, A. J. Drexel, Colonel Alexander K. McClure, Postmaster General Wanamaker and Hen. William McMultin, all of Philadelphia; Charles A. Dana, Hon. Andrew G. Curtin, Hon. A. P. Gorman, Hon. W. W. Sowden, Hon. James H. Blount, Hon. John S. Barbour and Lon. Dallas Sanders. fon. Dallas Sanders. Gevernor Curtin was not present, but

e'egraphed that he would join, the funeral party at Wilmington.

The services were opened with the hymn "Lead, Kindly Light," by the Shubert Quartette of male singers, accompanied on the organ by Professor Bischoff.

When the quartette had concluded, Rev. Dr. Milburs, the blind Chaplain of the House of Representatives, arose and recited verses from the fifteenth chapter of St. Paul, beginning: "But now is Christ arisen from the dead." He concluded the selection with a prayer, in which he implored Divine comfort for the afflicted widow and her family in the loss of the loving husband, whom he characterized as patriot and statesman, a lover of his country and a servant of the people

Rev. Dr. John Chester, the pastor of the church then announced that the Plea," a favorite of Mr. Randall's, would be sung. The congregation The congregation joined in the singing, and when the last strains of the organ had died away ner, delivered the funeral sermon.

Dr. Chester's Eloquent Sermon, "In this solemn hour, in this house of God, now gather the representatives of a great nation around the earthly rezens. Here men of different political faiths, of various religious creeds unite in a tribute of respect to one whom the nation delighted to honor. But it is not to the public career that our thoughts are turned in this solemn For it was a wish expressed by Mr. Randall that this funeral service should be devoid of all earthly pomp; that they should be held in the sanctuary where the heart instinctively bends reverential adoration before its God that the chief recognition of himself should be his testimony to the grace of Jesus Christ as the blessed Saviour. The expression of such a desire affords one of the best culogies on his character. It reveals the honest simplicity of his nature. It fitly crowns a life of service to man, a death of testimony to

the grace of God. 'To the great men gathered here to day comes that voice whose utterances carried such weight in our legislative felt by a whole nation, and speaks not of itself, but of the grace and comfort which comes to a soul through the crucified one of Calvary. He 'though dead yet speaketh,' reminding us of the faithful saying and worthy of all acceptation—of acceptation by the greatest ruler and the humblest subject, by the most cultured intellect and the humblest mind-a 'saying worthy of all acception, that Christ Jesus came unto the world to save sinners.' It was the appreciation of this simple grand proposition which gave Mr. Ran-dall such comfort when he faced that most trying ordeal—the passage of a soul to the presence of its God. Those who knew him intimately recognized the fact that long before his last sickness his mind had turned to serious re-

'Reared in youth under the influence of the Gospel, coming from a plous au-cestry, he grew up with a respect for a religion, which revealed itself in his attendance on the church, in his conscientious observance of the Sabbath, his fidelity to his domestic ties, in his interest in all Christian charities. However men might differ from him in opinion, all recognized the rugged enesty of his character, all knew that his hands would never be sullied by bribes, or his opinions swerved by bribes, or his opinions swerved by favor. Like all other men, he had his temptations, but, long before his death, he had completely conquered every un-lawful appetite. Yet, with all this lawful appetite. Yet, with all this morality of life, Mr. Randall realized that he needed that preparation of heart, which could only come through the blood which cleanseth from all sin, and by that Holy Spirit which can sanctify the soul. Therefore was Therefore was he made the request to be baptized and be received into the church of Christ. This step was taken at a time when, however anxious his friends were about

his recovery, he himself fully expected

returning to active life. He once remarked to his family, T know that God has given me influence among my fellow men, and as I have now a prospect of recovering I want henceforth to use the influence of my example on the side of Christianity. It was a touching

scene when more than three months since he made a profession of his faith in Christ, was baptized and partook of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Though prostrated on his couch, with that strong will which ever characterized his actions, he made the last effort of his life to tise from his couch to receive the baptismal rite. He devoutly par-took of the emblems of the body and blood of the Saviour, the little company of his family and friends there assem bled heard that voice which had often rung through the legislative halis speaking accents of gratified love of that Blessed One who had brought salvation to his soul. That strong, resolute man bowed as meekly as a little child to take the yoke of Christ, and he, whom men delighted to honor, confessed himself to be a sizner saved by grace. Truly, in his case, the promise was fulfilled 'Take My yoke and learn of Me and ye shall find rest for your soul.'

From that hour a great load seemed litted of his wine.

iffted off his mind.

"He passed through weeks of the severest bodily pain; he fought nobly, corageously, hopefully, the battle with disease, yet he bore his suffering with a beautiful Christain patience. The promises of God's word, frequent meditation on the grace of Christ, the prayers offered at his bedside were his greatest comfort. For a few days before his death he was not able to rouse himself, owing to the peculiar nature of his disease, but at the last his mind reasserted its natural force. One Sabbath, just as the morning broke, just as the bells in a neighboring church were calling the worshippers, the summons came to him to worship in the heavenly temple, to enter the Sabbath of eternal rest. I found him all prepared, for his soul was washed in that blood which blood was the found him all stream of the highest three than the same of the s cleanseth from all sin, sanctified by that spirit which alone can fit a child of

earth for an abundant entrance into Heaven. "There were of those by that bedside to whom he was joined in the tenderest ties of love—the wife, who had been the strength and comfort of all his manhood life, the children who so tenderly loved him, who so revered his name, who had unremittingly labored to assuage his pains of body and to comfort his soul. He loved them, oh, comfort his soul. He loved them, on, how tenderly! for that household was one hallowed by the purest and tenderest ties of affection. With the consolation of knowing that the pearly gates of Heaven were open to receive the sainted spirit of their father must ever he intertwined the manners of his be intertwined the memory of his touching utterances. For when the messenger of death came to summon him from earth he turned instinctively to his wife, who grasped his hand in hers, and looking up in her beloved face exclaimed 'Mother!' and then with a heavenly smile on his face fell usleep-in Jesus. A great mun has fallen by the hand of death, his name has been inscribed in our country's an-nals and will be honored by the latest generation, but after all the greatest honor that comes to his memory, the greatest comfort to those left behind, is the knowledge that his name is written in the Lamb's Book of Life. A useful iffe, a Christian faith, a Christian's death, what higher eulogy can be pronounced on any human being? These were the elements of Mr. Randali's greatness, may they be those of all here present. So that when death comes we may hear, as he doubtless did, the voice of the Saviour saying, Well thou unto the joy of the Lord.' '

The Blind Chaplain's Story. At the conclusion of the sermon the pressively of an incident in the lives of Mr. Randall and Postmaster-General Wanamaker. He mentioned no names, but made it obvious to his audience to whom he referred. His story was that of a young man who, years ago, had conducted religious meetings in a neighboring city. One of his frequent hearers was a distinguished looking man, whose striking presence and keen eye made the young ex-horter feel abashed and nervous. "Three months ago," said the Chaplain,

"those men met again." Dr. Milburg presence of Mr. Wanamaker, professed convsreion. While Dr. Milburn was reciting this incident the Postmaster General broke down and sobbed like a child. After the choir had sung Where the purple morning break Dr. Milburn pronounced the

The Fuzeral Procession

The casket was then borne from the church by a detatchment of Capitol policemen, preceded by the escort of the G. A. R., the Congressional committees and the honorary pall-bearers. The congregation remained standing until the members of the family had left

The funeral procession proceeded to the Pennsylvania Railroad station where the body was placed on a special car attached to the 11:30 train. In the vicinity of the church and depot large crowds of people gathered, and from the sidewalks along the route many persons watched the solemn procession. The Pennsylvania Congressional dele gation, the honorary pall-bearers, the Congressional committees, a number of personal friends of the dead statesman accompanied the remains to Philadel The train bearing the remains of the dead statesman will reach Ridge Avenue Station, Philadelphia, about 3 o'clock this afternoon. Carriages will convey the party to Laurel Hill Ceme-tery, where the body will be deposited in the vault. Meade Post and a num ber of other organizations will escort the remains to the cemetery. The services there will be conducted by Henry C. McCook, D. D., assisted by other ple, in accordance with Mr. Randall's

GENERAL BUTLER'S TRIBUTE,

The Interests of the Country Were

General Benjamin F. Butler said to Boston Globe correspondent: "I have always entertained the highest respect for Mr. Randall, although he was my political opponent for many years. No more honest or worthy man ever lived. I don't believe he ever consciously did a thing which he believed to be wrong He was a man of very great, but not showy, ability. One who for so many years held his party in the hollow of his hand in the House of Representatives must have had great qualities. His will was indomitable. When once convinced that a given thing ought to be, he never swerved because all the

"I have in mind one memorable illus-tration of his will power. He felt that the salary of a Congressman was inad- is working hard for Delamater.

equate. He voted for the bill to increase it, amid all the cry of the newspapers throughout the country, and all the sucaking efforts of other Congressmen to get him to change his vote for it when the act was repealed came to

"An unswerving political partisan, he was never furious or vindictive. I believe the interests of the country in believe the interests of the country in his hands, for the good of the people and for justice to all, would have been safer than in any other's. There has not been a day within the last fifteen years in which I would not have voted for him for President of the United States if my vote could have been made

BANDALL AND SHERMAN.

They Served Together in the Shenan doah Under Patterson, Senator John Sherman adds a bit of interesting personal reminiscence to the many stories now being related relative to the life and character of Samuel Jackson Randall. Mr. Sherman is not a man much given to story telling, says the correspondent of the New York Sun, but, as he says himself, he was such a warm friend and admirer of Mr Randall that he loves to remember and dwell upon the incidents of their friendship.

"It may not be generally known," said the Senator to-day, "that I served with Mr. Randall during a portion of Patterson's campaign in the Shenaudoah Valley in June and July, 1861. The way it happened was this: I had accompanied two regiments of Ohio accompanied two regiments of Ohio troops South as far as Harrisburg, at which point they were turned over to General Patterson. The latter being ready to move into Virginia by the way of Williamsport, Md., he asked me to join him. I consented, and Patterson made me a member of his staff. But as I was a United States Senator I served without pay. Mr. Randall was a member of a Philadelphia company in that campaign, a ninety days' man I believe, and to show the innate mod esty of the man no intimation of his army service can be found in his biog raphy as published in the Congressional Directory.
"As an illustration of how unex

pectedly to ourselves, as well as to themselves, men frequently rise to eminence, in this very campaign of which I speak Samuel J. Randall was a private soldier. George H. Thomas was a major of cavalry, and Fitz John Porter was a staff officer, like myself, with Patterson. And this reminds me that while we were camped at Williamsport my brother, Tecumseh, then a colonel of infantry, paid me a visit He and Thomas were at West Pointogether, and very fond of one another I remember that they were continually studying the maps. Thomas and Tecumseh would throw themselves on the floor like two boys and point out and mark certain strategic positions. recollect Chattanooga as one point they mentioned, and Nashville another.

Mr. Randall I only knew intimately after he took his seat in Congress, but all three of the gentlemen named subsequently cut pretty large figures in public affairs, and with honor to themselves and their country. I have known Mr. Randall for the past thirty years, and I have always had great respect and admiration for him as a public man, although I think he sometimes went too far in some of his economical ideas relative to appropriations. When I was Secretary of the Treasury I had fre-quent conferences with him, and our elations were always of a pleasant na-Mr. Randall was a protectionist by education and principle.

"Born in a State of vast mineral re sources and of great manufacturing enthat he stood firmly for the policy that developed the one and built up the other public men have stood up under greater denunciation than he from members of his own party, notwithstaudin which he has been held in high esteem. In this respect Mr. Randall was an anomaly among the public men of our time. This can only be explained on he ground that while the major portion of his party disagreed with him, it believed in his integrity of purpose. I think his death a great public loss. To his own party his death is a great calam-

ANXIOUS FOR MRS. RANDALL. Grave Fears for Her Health When the

Much anxiety is felt about Mrs. Ran-Iall, says Editor McClure, writing from Washington to the Philadelphia Times: She has been her husband's constant nurse for more than two years, and during that entire period has not known one unbroken night of rest. When the long halt came, although expected for weeks, the force of the sheek was not anbroken, and Mrs. Randall broke down at once and it was feared that she would not rally soon; but in a little while she seemed to sum-

mon all her reserve powers, and she has

abilited the heroic qualities of her husband. stand the strain of the funeral and its ourney to Philadelphia and back; rave fears are entertained that when she returns to her desolated home and the reaction comes, her recuperative powers may not be equal to the emergency. She is a woman of strong indi-viduality, however, and all hope for the best. Her life centered in her husband, her children, and her home, and the paid to woman was the last whispered utterance of "Mother," the dying states nan's farewell to the devoted partner of his joys and sorrows.

A FREEDMEN'S CONVENTION,

Call for a State Gathering in Virginia Against Immigration,

ALEXANDRIA, VA., April 17 .- A call has been issued for a colored State convention to meet in Alexandria, Va. May 15, 1890, under the auspices of the Colored Men's League of that city. The object is to counteract the plan of the Richmond negro convention, which adjourned yesterday, respecting the or ganization of a negro party in Virginia and to oppose any organized effort to migrate the colored people from Vir-ginia to Western lands or Africa. Magnus L. Robinson, one of the foremost colored journalists of Virginia and editor of the National Leader, of which Frederick Douglass was associate editor, is chairman of the committee. He says that the coming convention will mark an important epoch in the history of the negro of Virginia.

Hastings Indorsed,

READING, April 17 .- At a largelyattended meeting of the Cooper Club of Birdsboro', this county, resolutions were passed in favor of General Hast-ings for Governor. This indicates another factional fight in Berks County. A. M. High, who is the recognized leader of the Berks Republicans. and is slated for the Reading postmas-tership, who will be appointed in May,

WILLIAMS FILIAL LOVE (?)

The Alleged Affection of the German Emperor for Bis Mother, LONDON, April 17 .- The English journals give very pleasantly colored accounts from Berlin of the recently displayed fillal love of the German Emperor for his mother. Some even go so far as to attribute the fall of Bismarck and the eclipse of the Waldersee faction to the ascendency of the Empress Frederick who, they assert, has succeeded in convincing her headstrong son that he can present to the world an example of family affection without crogating from his dignity as monarch of the most warlike nation of Europe Those who know the German Emperor, bowever, laugh at the Idea of his being influenced by any person, even his mother, whom he was taught to treat civilly with the rest of her sex in regard to all matters not exclusively feminine.

A NOBLEMAN'S TROUBLES,

The Marquis of Leaville Will Have to Go to Jail,

London, April 14.-The preliminary hearing in the Leuville conspiracy case closed yesterday and the Marquis was committed for trial and ball fixed at \$1,000, which he has been unable to obtain up to 10 o'clock last night.

A lady who was among his friends in

court was applied to for ball, but re-fused. The Marquis turned pale on hearing the decision of the Court and wiped away a tear. He had evidently expected his discharge and had arranged to give a large dinner party tonight in honor of his acquittal. The party is now postponed and conviction is considered certain, in which case he

FOR A HOLIDAY,

German Workingmen Ask Their Guilds to Observe Fast Day.

BERLIN, April 17 .- An appeal has been sent out by the executive committee of the United Guilds to the members of the subordinate guilds, asking them to co-operate in the effort to induce the workingmen to generally observe fast day which falls on April 30. The appeal further sug-gests that workingmen who propose participating in the demonstrations on May 1 be warned that they assume the risk of losing their employment by so

ACTION FOR SEDUCTION.

The Charge is Against a Distinguished Member of Parliament. LONDON, April 17.-Miss Alice Haires, a young woman of 30 years, has brought an action for seduction and breach of marriage against Sir George Elliott, Member of Parliament for Monmouth, Wales. The lady alleges that she has twice been enciente by Si George, and that after her betrayal the defendant promised marriage, Sir George Elliott denies the truth of the diegations and asserts that the action is an attempt at blackmail. The proceed ings in the case are creating the most

SELF-ANNIBILATION OF A FAMILY

intense excitement.

Committed Salcide to Escape the Saf-Moscow, April 17.-The city has been shocked by the discovery of the self annihilation of a family to escape the sufferings of poverty. The victims, who were the widow and five daughters

of an army officer, locked themselves in a room and turned on the gas. When discovered all were dead from William Compliments Jules Simon, Panis, April 17 .- M. Jules Simon has received from Emperor William a copy of the musical works of Frederick which the Emperor says: "Having made your acquaintance personally,

after knowing for many years of you

eminence in literature, science and phil

osophy, I disire you to possess a souve-nir of the peaceful and civilizing mission which led you to visit my capital." Suicide Epidemic Among Scholars, Berlan, April 17 .- A circular ad-Iressed by the Government to the high chool directors calls attention to the frequency of suicide among the schol-The directors are urged to be

lenient with backward pupils. An Imperial Palace Destroyed Petersburg, April 17.-Fire has de stroyed the imperial palace at Oranienbaum. Seven of the domestics were burned to death. Oranienbaum is about twenty miles west of St. Peters burg.

VIENNA, April 17 .- At Ostrau, in Moravia, work in the mines has been stopped by the interference of riotous The houses occupied by the on-striking miners are guarded by

Germany and Africa. Bentin, April 17 .- The German East Africa Company will hold a meeting on April 19 to decide whether to purchase the German Vitu Company's African territory.

American Ships at Malta. LONDON, April 17.—The Chicago and Yorktown, of the American Squadron of Evolution, arrived at Maita this morning. Salutes were exchanged between the vessels and the forts.

Rate of Discount in England, LONDON, April 17.—The Bank of England rate of discount has been reduced from 34 to 3 per cent.

GOVERNOR JACKSON'S VETO, He Refuses to Sign the Reassessment

Bill for Good Reasons. BALTIMOBE, MD., April 17.—Governor Jackson to day announced his determination not to sign the reassessment bill. He says he is in favor of a reassessment on general principles, but this bill "grants more power to the assessing officers than they ought to have, exposes the citizen to lice of informers in cases where probably there would be no cause of complaint. The effect of the bill would be, in my judgment, to drive more taxable property from the State than it would add to our pasts of this measure.'

The "First Defenders" Colebrate. READING, April 17.-The survivors of the Ringgold Artillerists, better known as the "First Defenders," the first company to respond to Lincoln's call for 75,000 men, celebrated the twenty-ninth anniversary of their departure for the seat of war last night. The company was originally composed of 104 men. Last evening less than twenty were present. The survivors

POTOMAC RIVER FLATS

NOT NEGLECTED IN THE HOUSE RIVER AND HARBOR BILL.

District Affairs. The Bill for Arrear ages of General and Special Taxesublic Building Bills - General Congressional Proceedings. Under the terms of a resolution prosented in the executive session yester day, Mesers, Saunders and Power, the

new Senators from Montana, this morn-

ing drew for terms. Mr. Power drew the long term, until 1895, and Mr. Saunders the short, until 1893, Public building bills were passed a ollows: Lynn, Mass. (House bill), \$125,000 Mansfield, Ohio (Senate bill), \$100,000 Tuscaloesa, Ala. (House bill), \$40,000

Hot Springs, Ark. (Senate bill), \$50,000 Mankato, Minn. (Senate bill), \$150,000 Dallas, Texas (House bill), \$200,000 Kansas City, Kan. (Senate bill) House bill for the appointment and retirement of John C. Fremont as a

on on motion of Mr. Gray House bill to transfer the Revenue Marine Service from the Treasury to the Navy De-partment was taken up for considera-Mr. Sherman opposed the bill.

The bill went over until to-mor-The House bill to appoint a number

of medical pension examiners without being subjected to civil service examin-ation was opposed by Mr. Cockrell.

In the House

After the reading of the journal Mr. Butterworth of Ohio arose and said that t was seemly and proper and a just tribute of the respect to the memory of the distinguished man, whose funeral took place to-day, that the House ad

A motion to this effect was immediately adopted.

District in Congress

A bill (H. R. 5179), introduced by Mr. Gear, fixing the rate of interest to te charged on arrearages of general and special taxes, now due the District, if paid within a time specified, was passed by both houses of Congress and sent to the President. Yesterday the bill was recalled by General Grout, chairman of the House District Committee, the constitutional ten days not having clapsed. It seems that as it finally passed the last day of payment specified was June 30, by a Senate amendment to which the House agreed. A bill had a eady become law providing for the sal of property for delinquent taxes, and under it the Commissioners had set April 22 as the day of sale. If the bill recalled had become law it would have rendered the sale advertised by the Commissioners null and vold and have inflicted just that much useless expense on the taxpayers of the District. Fortunately the conflict in dates was discovered in time to prevent this. The bill will now be held until after the advertised sale, when it will be again sent to the President for his action.

The Senate concurred in this course on General Grout's recommendation. Mr. Pugh to-day introduced in Con gress a bill to increase the compensation of the assistants to the Attorney of the United States for the District. He is authorized to expend \$10,000 a year for assistants and \$2,400 for clerks and

office expenses. River and Harbor Bill.

The House Committee on Rivers and Harbors has at last completed its labors, so far as preparing its bill is concerned. This has been done and the bill is now ready to be reported. The items of special interest to Washington are as follows:

For continuing the work of improve-ment of the Potomac River at Wash-

For improvement of channel to Mount In addition the Secretary of War is anthorized to have the Potomac River examined and surved and an estimate made of the cost of removing obstruc-

depth of thirty feet at mean low water.

The House Committee on Agriculture had intended to call up in the House the Compound Lard bill, but it has been so overwhelmed with petitions protesting against it from white and colored cotton raisers that it hes given them pause, There is a disposition to postpone the bill indefinitely, or at least until next session. It is a significant fact at the lobbyists who were here durre the winter urging the bill upon the cumittee and disappeared as soon as be committee took favorable action are all with us again. Whether they an work the committee again remains o be seen.

Capitol Notes.

Mr. Resgan to-day introduced in the Serate an amendment to the Constitution for the election of United States

Mr. Plumb has fallen a victim to the Wage Workers' Political Alliance of this city, and to-day introduced in the Senate a joint resolution directing the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the surplus in the Treasury (above a working balance of \$10,000,000) to be paid out for the purchase of Government

Mr. Sherman introduced a joint reso lution in the Senate to extend the thanks of Congress to Rear Admiral Walker and his men for gallantry on the Carondolet April 4, 1862, in run-ning the batteries of Island No. 10.

Eleton, MD., April 17 .- The dead body of Henry Dean was found this morning on the side of the P. W. & B. Raliroad near Iron Hill station, with both legs cut off and otherwise mulilated. It is supposed he was struck and instantly killed last night by a pass ing train. He was 45 years of age.

CHICAGO, April 17 .- The men at the North Station of the Chicago Gaslight and Coke Company to the number of bout forty went out on strike at 7 b'clock last night. The cause is said to have been the discharge of two men fo being active in the work of organizing the employes.

Gaslight Workmen Outt.

WINNIPEG, MAN., April 17 .- A gen tleman just arrived from England states that he was informed by Herbert Gladstone that It was his intention to visit the United States and Canada next

WILL RETURN TO THE STAGE, SENILE LIAR AND THIEF

ball player, has agreed to a separation

from his wife, Mrs. Helen Dauvray

Ward, and Mrs. Ward is now preparing for a trip to the West. Mrs. Ward had

chosen the alternative that her husband gave her some time ago, to either give

op all idea of returning to the stage or o separate. Mrs. Ward has positively

o separate. Mrs. ward has postavely signified her intention of returning to the stage, and yesterday Mrs. "Tim" Keefe, her sister, said that preparations were being rapidly completed for the former Lyceum star's appearance.

While Mr. Ward will say nothing

with regard to the above report, Mrs

INSULTED HIS BROTHER'S WIFE,

And Had His Head Blown Off by Her

RICHARDTOWN, N. D., April 17,-A

sensational tragedy occurred yesterday

at the country residence of O. P. Ziner

of Stark County. Albert Ziner entered

the house of his brother and insulted the latter's wife, whereupon O. P. Zher seized a shot-gun and literally blew his brother's head off. O. P. Ziner was

arrested, and a great crowd gathered about the jail, and it was feared that the prisoner would be lynched. The

sheriff is making efforts to keep the

THE CARPENTERS' STRIKE,

Bricklayers, Piasterers, Painters, Hod-Carriers and Shovers Affected,

CHICAGO, April 17 .- The only differ-

ence in the situation yesterday in rela-

tion to the carpenters' strike was an

aggravation of the inconveniences and

embarrassments arising therefrom. All

work on many more buildings in pro-cess of construction came to a stand-

still, and the number of idle workmen

in the city was increased by several thousands. It is now estimated that the

number of carpenters, bricklay-ers, plasterers, painters, hod-car-riers and other laborers usually employed in connection with building

operations who are now idle in consequence of the strike is not much short

of 40,000. Added to this army a large number of lumber shovers in the lum-

ber yards are practically idle. Busine

there is almost at a standstill, the strike

having affected the demand for lumber

very materially, and there is nothing for at least one-third of the men em-

FIGHTING THE FLAMES,

With a Forest Fire.

Inhabitants of McKee City Battling

NEW YORK, April 17 .- A special to

the Herald from Pleasantville, N. J.

approaching the town. The entire population of the place were out fight-ing the flames, but it did not seem

possible to save their homes, unless the

ONE DOG KILLS ANOTHER.

The Crowd at the Match Indulge to a

NEW YORK, April 17.-The cele-

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

New York Stocks,

The Chicago Markets.

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May... 88 88 May... 13 50 13 30
June... 892 884 June... 13 65 13 45
July... 871 854 July... 13 75 13 55
CORN...
May... 824 324 May... 6 55 6 55
June... 322 322 June... 6 55 6 60
July... 332 331 July... 6 65 6 65

Washington Stock Exchange,

Sales-Regular Call-12 o'clock m .-

Railroad, 20 at 78; 30 at 78; 50 at 78. U. S.

Mort., 68, 1624.
National Bank Stocks—Bank of Wash-ington, 450; Bank of Republic, 255; Metro-politan, 263; Central, 280, Second, 184; Farmers and Mechanica', 190; Citizona',

Railroad Stocks — Washington and Georgetown, 277; Metropolitan, 165; Co-lumbia, 74; Capitol and North O Street, 684; Eckington and Soldier's Home, 69;

Georgetown and Tennallytown, 494; Bright-

wood, 40. Insurance Stocks—Firemen's, 44; Frank-lin, 58; Metropolitan, 83; National Union, 50; Arlington, 180; Corcoran, 63; Colum-bia, 18; German-American, 180; Potomac,

80; Riggs, 81; People's 51.
Title Insurance Stocks—Real Estate
Title, 125; Columbia Title, 62; Washington

Gas and Electric Light Stocks-Washing-

Columbia, 180; Capital, 119; West

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no one was seriously hurt.

ployed there to do.

mob from the jail.

Ward says that it is not true.

THAT IS WHAT MR. CLEVELAND NEW YORK, April 17.-The Star CALLS CHARLES A. DANA. says: John M. Ward, the famous base-

Resenting the "Sun's" Assaults on Mes. Cleveland. The Editor Alleged to Be Suffering from Mental Parests-Vigorous and Scathing Language.

NEW YORK, April 17 .- Ex-President Grover Cleveland has made a reply to the sensational article published by the Sun yesterday to the effect that ex-President Cleveland was undergoing a special treatment invented by Dr. Schweninger of Germany for reducing flesh. It was asserted that Mr. Clevelend was gaining in weight at the rate of twenty-five pounds a month and that both he and his friends were seriously

alarmed at his condition. When seen at his office the ex-President's appearance certainly did not bear out the statement that he is rapidly increasing in weight. If anything he weighs less now than when he left the White House and his face has

a very healthy color. "I have not," said Mr. Cleveland, "seen the article you refer to, and if it appears nowhere eise but in the Sun, there is not the least chance of my seeing it. Of course, the entire thing is a lie, without the elightest pretext to excuse it. I judge from what you say that the venerable editor of the Sun supposes that he has at last hit upon a subject which can be used to annoy me. In this he is mistaken. He must be his own judge of social decencies and proprieties. I am not sure that he should at his time of life and in his apparently peculiar mental condition be

Continuing, Mr. Cleveland said that be had endeavored, since coming to the city to reside, to mind his own business. If he should accept all the invitations for social enjoyment he would have to abandon his law practice, and he had decided not to accept any. Mr. Cleve-land said he had been treated with a great deal of kindness and consideration

by the people of the city and he appreciated it thoroughly.

"I do not care," Mr. Cleveland added, "how much I am criticized for my public acts. That is perfectly legitimate, and I recognize the right of every man to differ on public questions. There is a line, however, it seems to me, where criticism and abuse should stop. The man who invades the privacy of a family and indulges in coarse and wanton attacks on private citizens is no better than a highwayman. He places himself on the level of the blackguard, and his vulgarities can have no weight

Regarding the frequent personal at-tacks upon himself in the columns of the Sun, Mr. Cleveland said that while he never saw them, every time one apsays the town of McKee City, six miles peared a dozen cranks, more or less, would write to him about it. north of Pleasantville, is in great danger of being destroyed by a forest fire, which at midnight was rapidly

"Whenever I receive those cranks' etters," said Mr. Cleveland, "I know that the senile old liar and thief, Dans, has been at it again. That is the only way I keep track of his mental ravings.

way I keep track of his mental ravings. The object, I suppose, is to annoy me and my friends.

"There is only one thing." Mr. Cleveland resumed, and a tender expression lit up his face, "that I care anything about in these attacks, they are not confined to myself. It seems that the senile old Dana does not conbrated dogs, Spot of Brooklyn and Bartine his warfare to men; women are not ney of Jersey City, fought for over two free from his dastardly assaults. Cleveland has not escaped. It is bad enough for Dana to print his lying hours yesterday in a hotel in Yonkers, the result being a victory for Spot and the death of Barney. The match statements regarding myself, but it is infinitely more cowardly and dastardly for him to include, as he has done, my wife in his attacks. Nothing could be fight the crowd present indulged in a free fight, in which pistols and clubs

were used. Many shots were fired, but from all instincts of manhood. Cleveland spoke with considerable feeling in referring to the un-warranted use that had been made of Mrs. Cleveland's name by the editor of

The following are the prices of the New York and Chicago markets as reported by special wire to C. T. Havenner & Co., Room 11 Atlantic building: stocks. Open 2.30 stocks. Open 2.30 'strong enough to characterize the con-luct of such a man. If Dana was not in his dotage, with one foot in the grave, his senile ravings would attract Chicago Gas 403 472 Northwest .111 1114 Can. South. 55 55 Smaha... NatLead Tst 171 174 do. pfd.... D. L. & W.1881 2894 P. M. S. S. 41 418 more attention. The public are dis-losed to look with some leniency upon D. I. & W. 1381 \*391 \* 9. M. S. S. 41 \* 411 Del. & Hud.1521 \*524 \* Seading ... 401 \* 412 Erie ... 241 \* 442 \* 2. & W. Pt. 214 \* 214 Jersey Cen.120 \* 120] C. R. I. & Pac \* 901 \* 914 I. & N. S54 \* 551 \* 54. Paul. ... 682 \* 591 I. & N. S. \* 552 \* 54. Paul. ... 683 \* 591 I. S. ... 1074 \* 7074 \* Exc. Pac. ... 194 \* 1394 Sugar Trust, 651 \* 962 \* Union Pac. ... 603 \* 633 Mo. Pac. ... 712 \* 712 \* W. Union. ... 82 \* 894 N. Y. & N. E. \* 452 \* 462 \* Petroleum. ... 83 \* 831 N. Y. Cen. ... ... Am. Cot 8\* 0. 252 \* 253 N. Pac. ... ... Atch & Top. 38 \* 332 do. pfd. 784 \* 734 \* Chil., B. & Q. 105 \* 1054 a man who had mental paresis. That was all that saved Dana from being held to a strict accountability for his atroclous conduct."

A BIG STRIKE AREAD,

Chicago Pork Packers Decide to Go

Out for Shorter Hours, CHICAGO, April 17 .- It is practically ssured that a strike for eight hours y the packing-house employes will be clared May 1. They have a strong eeret organization and have active in making prepfor a general movement. Last night just before quitting several nundred men employed in Denny Bros. ouse sent a communication to the anager of the house, asking for their eposit money, which, under the ar-angement, they will receive about

The demand is nothing but a notificaion to their employers that they intend going out on a strike May 1. As there are from 8,000 to 10,000 employed at the stockyards, there is much uneasi ness manifest on the situation.

PANIC IN A STREET CAR,

Railroad, 20 at 78; 30 at 78; 50 at 78. U. S. Electric Light, 10 at 1134. American Graphophone. 50 at 182; 50 at 182; 25 at 26; 25 at 182; 25 at 26; 25 at 182; 25 at 26; 2 Every One Within Reach, Chicago, April 17 .- Billy Patterson,

crazy with drink and armed with a large knife, caused a panic in a Statestreet car about 1 o'clock this morning by cutting every one within his reach. Before he could be overpowered and ocked up he inflicted a terrible wound in the neck of Archy Patnew, severely wounded Henry Patnew in the face and badly wounded Thomas Brennan. There was no provocation for the

Wedding in Reading.

READING, April 17.-Ira W. Stratton of Pottstown and Miss Annie Millimore of this city were married in the Ebenezer Methodist Church yesterday. Rev. Wesley C Best of Philadelphia and Rev. W. J. Stevenson, this city, rformed the ceremony, James S. obeson of Pottstown was best man. The bridesmaids were Miss Lizzle E lest of Philadelphia and Miss Lottic

The Martha Stranded

Focht, this city.

NEW YORK, April 17 .- Telegrams received here this morning state that the German steamship Martha from Hamburg was stranded at Vera Cruz, and it is supposed she will be a total loss. She carries a general cargo,

Telephone Stocks—Fennsylvania, 25; Chesapeake and Potomac, 85%; American Graphophone, 15%.
Miscellamous Stocks.—Washington Mar-ket Co., 181; Washington Brick Machine Co., 580; Great Falls Inc Co., 215; Bull Run Panorsma Co., 23; National Safe De-posit, 230; Washington Safe Deposit, 130; Washington Loan and Trust Co., 54; Na-tional Transportable 30; Maryanthaler, 10; Local Weather Forecast, For the District of Columbia, Palaware, Maryland and Virginia, showers Thursday, night and Friday; stationary temperature; variable winds.

tional Typographic, 30; Mergenthaler, 10; Pneumatic Gun Carriage, 2; Wash. Loan and Trust Co., ---: American Security and Trust Co., 40‡; Lincoln Hall, 80; Hygiculo